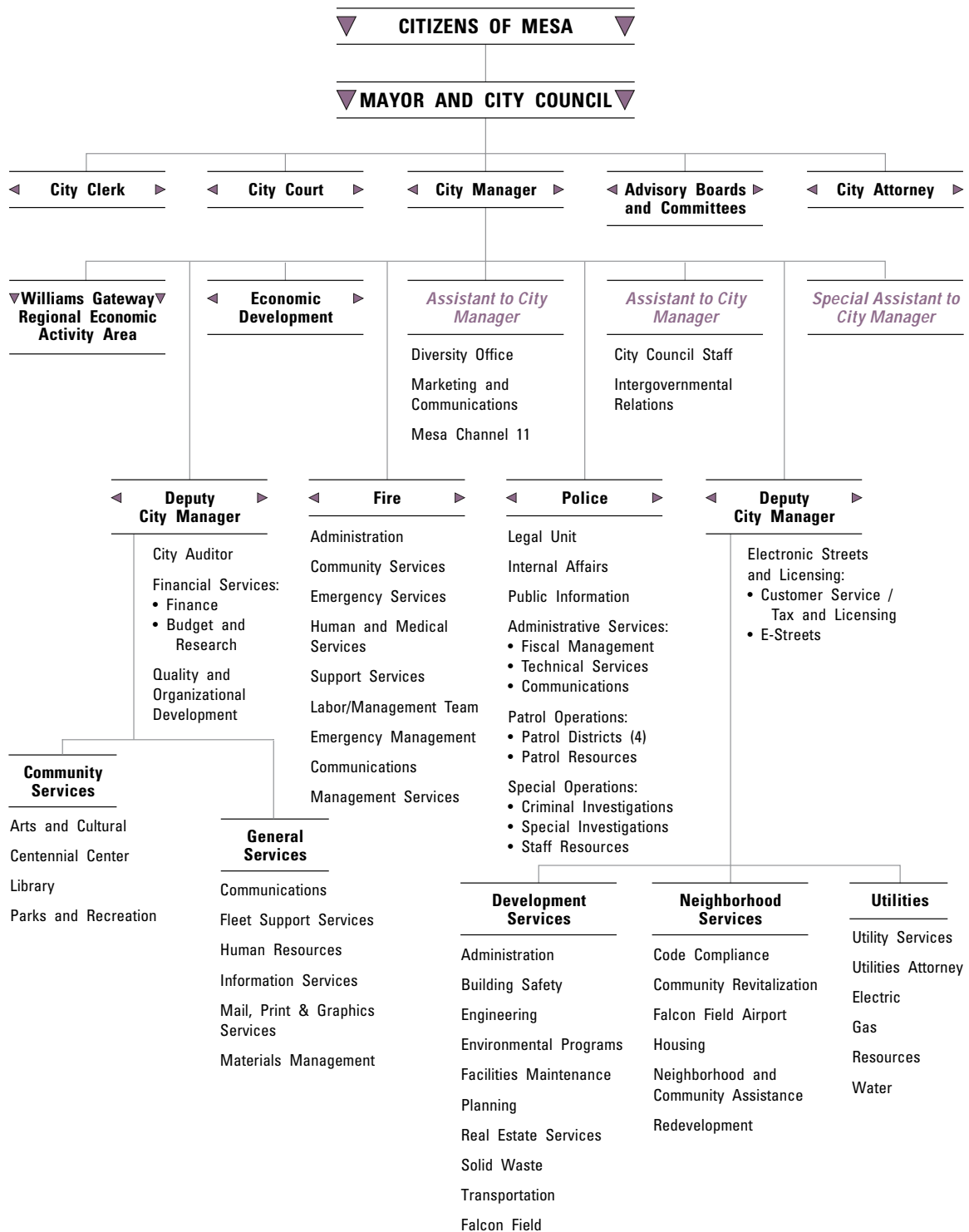


City of Mesa Organizational Chart



Mayor and City Council

Each year, the City Council adopts a budget based on the priorities expressed by the City Council and citizens, and by the needs of individual City departments. The budget is driven by pressures from growth and development, revitalization of neighborhoods and downtown areas, efforts to retain and expand employment opportunities, and by the fixed costs associated with providing Mesa citizens with the level of service that they have come to expect.

The Mesa City Council believes its people, not leaders, are what makes a city great, and actively works to encourage citizen participation in the decision-making process. Whether it is through neighborhood meetings, advisory boards and committees, telephone calls and letters, or electronic mail through the World Wide Web, the Mesa City Council sets policies based on the input and needs of its citizens.

Mayor and City Council

Keno Hawker, Mayor

Term of Office: June 5, 2000 – June 7, 2004

Mayor Hawker is serving his first term as the Mayor of Mesa. He served previously as a Councilmember from 1986 until 1994 and from 1998 to 2000, and as Vice Mayor from 1990 until 1992.

Mayor Hawker is a member of the National League of Cities and the League of Arizona Cities and Towns. He enjoys financial issues and serves as treasurer of the Arizona Municipal Water Users Association. He serves as Vice Chair of the Maricopa Association of Governments Regional Council, Vice Chair of the Williams Gateway Airport Authority, Vice Chair of Valley Metro Rail and Chair of the Regional Public Transportation Authority.

He serves on the National League of Cities Transportation Infrastructure and Services Steering Committee as well as the National League of Cities Transportation TEA-21 Reauthorization Task Force. Mayor Hawker also serves on two committees of the Maricopa Association of Governments: Regional Aviation System Policy Committee and on the Regional Council Transportation Policy Committee. He is an ex-officio member of the City of Mesa Economic Development Advisory Board.

Mayor Hawker is a Mesa business owner and President of Hawker Trucks & Materials, Inc. He has a bachelor's degree from Wisconsin State University and an M.B.A. from the University of Wisconsin. He is a member of the Mesa Chamber of Commerce, the Mesa Baseline Rotary and the Mesa HoHoKams.

Mayor Hawker enjoys outdoor sports and activities, including biking, hiking, climbing and rappelling. He travels extensively throughout Arizona, the United States and other locations around the world. He owns his own plane and is a licensed pilot. He likes extreme sports, such as dirt bike racing, river rafting and roller blading, his Harley Davidson motorcycle and co-piloting a T-38 fighter jet.

Mayor Hawker is a devoted family man who stresses education and self-reliance. He reads a great deal and enjoys financial analysis and defending the common sense solutions in society.

You can reach Mayor Hawker via e-mail at mayor.hawker@cityofmesa.org.

Mayor and City Council

Dennis Kavanaugh, Vice Mayor District 3

TERM OF OFFICE:

June 5, 2000 – June 7, 2004

June 3, 1996 – June 5, 2000 (At Large)

COUNCIL OFFICE:

Phone: (480) 644-3003

Fax: (480) 644-4582

P.O. Box 1466, Mesa, AZ 85211-1466

councilmember.kavanaugh@cityofmesa.org

COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS:

- › Chairman, Council General Development Committee
- › Member, Council Finance and Fire Committees
- › Vice Chairman, National League of Cities Information Technology and Communications Steering Committee
- › Member, National Institution of Justice, Office of Science & Technology, National Task Force on Interoperability (NTFI)
- › Member, Banner Desert Advisory Board
- › Member, Board of Directors, Mesa United Way
- › Member, Mesa Community College, Commission on Excellence in Education
- › Chairman, City Public Safety Personnel Retirement System Board
- › Commissioner, Arizona Commission on the Arts
- › Member, Arts and Entertainment Center Architectural Selection and Design Committee
- › Council Representative, Friends of Arizona Museum for Youth Board
- › Council Representative, Board of Directors, Mesa Southwest Museum Foundation
- › Member, TeleCommunity Alliance
- › Member, Arizona Town Hall
- › Member, Mesa Downtown Rotary Club
- › Member, East Valley Partnership
- › Lector, Church of the Resurrection
- › Member, City Self-Insurance Board of Trustees

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

- › Partner, Day, Kavanaugh and Blommel, P.C., 1990-Present
- › Associate Attorney, Stephens, Watts, Day and Brown, P.C., 1988-1990
- › Attorney and Chief Counsel, Industrial Commission of Arizona, 1984-1988
- › Staff Attorney, Arizona Legislative Council, 1978-1984

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS AND AWARDS:

- › Mesa Symphony Executive Directors' Community Service Award, 1999
- › Certified Specialist, Workers Compensation, State Bar of Arizona, 1988-Present
- › Member, East Valley Bar Association
- › Member, State Bar of Arizona, Workers Compensation Section
- › Member, St. Thomas More Society
- › Member, Palo Verde Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution
- › Member, National Organization of Social Security Claimants' Representatives

EDUCATION:

- › J.D., Arizona State University College of Law, 1978
- › Honors B.A. in Political Science, magna cum laude, St. Louis University, 1975,
- › Phi Beta Kappa and Alpha Sigma Nu

Mayor and City Council

**Claudia Walters, Councilmember
District 1**

TERM OF OFFICE:

June 5, 2000 – June 7, 2004

November 1997 – June 1998

COUNCIL OFFICE:

Phone: (480) 644-4002

Fax: (480) 644-2175

P.O. Box 1466, Mesa, AZ 85211-1466

councilmember.walters@cityofmesa.org

OCCUPATION:

Educator and Small Business Owner

COMMUNITY EXPERIENCE:

- › Chairperson, Council Fire Committee
- › Member, Council General Development and Police Committees
- › Chairperson, Benefits Advisory Committee
- › Vice Chairperson, Board of Directors, Mesa United Way
- › Member, Board of Directors, Mesa Foundation for Educational Excellence
- › Member, Municipal Tax Code Committee
- › Member, National League of Cities Community & Economic Development Steering Committee
- › Chairman, Maricopa Association of Governments, Elderly Mobility Task Force
- › Former Member, Board of Trustees, City of Mesa Self-Insurance
- › Member, Planning and Zoning Board, 1999
- › Chairman, Downtown Development Committee, 1996-1997
- › Mesa Public Schools Governing Board, 1993-1996
- › Governing Board President, 1995
- › Governing Board Clerk, 1994
- › City of Mesa Library Board, 1992-1995
- › City of Mesa Gang Prevention Steering Committee, 1995
- › ASBA Legislative Network
- › Federal Relations Network of National School Boards Assoc., 1994-1996
- › Republican Precinct Committeeman - District 29
- › Scouting Volunteer

EDUCATION:

- › Mesa Leadership Training and Development Graduate, 1992
- › Teacher certification program - Early Childhood Education
- › B.S. Degree in Child Development and Family Relationships, Brigham Young University

Mayor and City Council

**Mike Whalen, Councilmember
District 2**

TERM OF OFFICE:

June 5, 2000 – June 7, 2004

COUNCIL OFFICE:

Phone: (480) 644-3772

Fax: (480) 644-2175

P.O. Box 1466, Mesa, AZ 85211-1466

councilmember.whelen@cityofmesa.org

OCCUPATION:

Business Owner – Centurian Custom Security

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

- › City of Mesa, Assistant Police Chief, February 1989 – November 1999
- › Mesa Police Department, 1971 – 1999
- › United States Army, June 1968 – January 1970

COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS:

- › Chairperson, Council Transportation Committee
- › Member, Council Fire and Utility Committees
- › Member, Board of Directors, Mesa Convention and Visitors Bureau
- › Council Representative, Mayor's Alliance Against Drugs
- › Member, Arizona Corporation Commission Power Plant and State Line Siting Committee
- › Member, Maricopa Association of Governments, Regional Committee on Homelessness
- › Member, Board of Directors, Prehab of Arizona
- › Member, Community Bridges
- › Member, Mesa HoHoKams
- › Member, National League of Cities Homeland Security Working Group
- › Member, International Association of Chiefs of Police
- › Member, FBI National Academy Associates
- › Former Member, Board of Directors, Boys and Girls Club East Valley
- › Former Member, Board of Directors, MARC Center
- › Former Member, Board of Directors, East Valley Behavioral Health Association
- › Religious education teacher at Queen of Peace Church

EDUCATION:

- › B.S., University of Phoenix, 1988

Mayor and City Council

**Kyle Jones, Councilmember
District 4**

TERM OF OFFICE:

June 3, 2002 – June 5, 2006

COUNCIL OFFICE:

Phone: (480) 644- 3004

Fax: (480) 644-2175

P.O. Box 1466, Mesa, AZ 85211-1466

councilmember.jones@cityofmesa.org

BUSINESS:

Telecommunications Contractor

COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS:

- › Chairperson, Council Finance Committee
- › Member, Council General Development and Utility Committees
- › Member, Benefits Advisory Committee
- › Council Representative, Mesa Town Center Corporation Board
- › Neighborhood Economic Development Corporation
- › Member, Maricopa Association of Governments, Human Services Coordinating Committee
- › Assistant District Commissioner for Varsity Boy Scouts of America
- › Elected member of Mesa High, School Improvement Advisory Committee
- › Member, National Association of Radio and Telecommunications Engineers
- › Neighborhood Watch

EDUCATION:

- › Devry Institute of Technology, 1981
- › Certified for Northern Telecom Meridian Phone Equipment
- › Trained on satellite and microwave equipment
- › Attended Arizona State University and Mesa Community College
- › Mesa High School, 1974

Mayor and City Council

Rex Griswold, Councilmember District 5

TERM OF OFFICE:

June 3, 2002 – June 5, 2006

COUNCIL OFFICE:

Phone: (480) 644-3771

Fax: (480) 644-2175

P.O. Box 1466, Mesa, AZ 85211-1466

councilmember.griswold@cityofmesa.org

BUSINESS:

Restaurant Owner – Anzio Landing

2613 N. Thunderbird Circle

Mesa, Arizona 85215

(480) 832-1188

COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS:

- › Chairperson, Council Police Committee
- › Member, Council Finance and Transportation Committees
- › Member, Mesa Baseline Rotary
- › Member, Board of Directors, Mesa Chamber of Commerce
- › Gang Prevention Steering Committee
- › Educator, Junior Achievement Business, Mesa High School
- › Governing Board Member, Red Mountain Community Church
- › State Board Member, Arizona Restaurant Association
- › Former Member, Mesa Joint Master Planning Committee

EDUCATION:

- › Bachelor of Science in Business, Cornell University 1975

Mayor and City Council

**Janie Thom, Councilmember
District 6**

TERM OF OFFICE:

June 3, 2002 – June 5, 2006

COUNCIL OFFICE:

Phone: (480) 644-4003

Fax: (480) 644-2175

P.O. Box 1466, Mesa, AZ 85211-1466

councilmember.thom@cityofmesa.org

Home phone: (480) 218-4810

BUSINESS:

Self-employed Investor

COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS:

- › Chairperson, Council Utility Committee
- › Member, Council Police and Transportation Committees
- › Member, Maricopa Association of Governments, Solid Waste Advisory Committee
- › Precinct Committeeman, Republican Party
- › Eagle Forum
- › Arizona Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals
- › Arizona Humane Society
- › Past Vice Chair, Mesa Republican Women's Club
- › Past Secretary, Arizona Republican Assembly

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

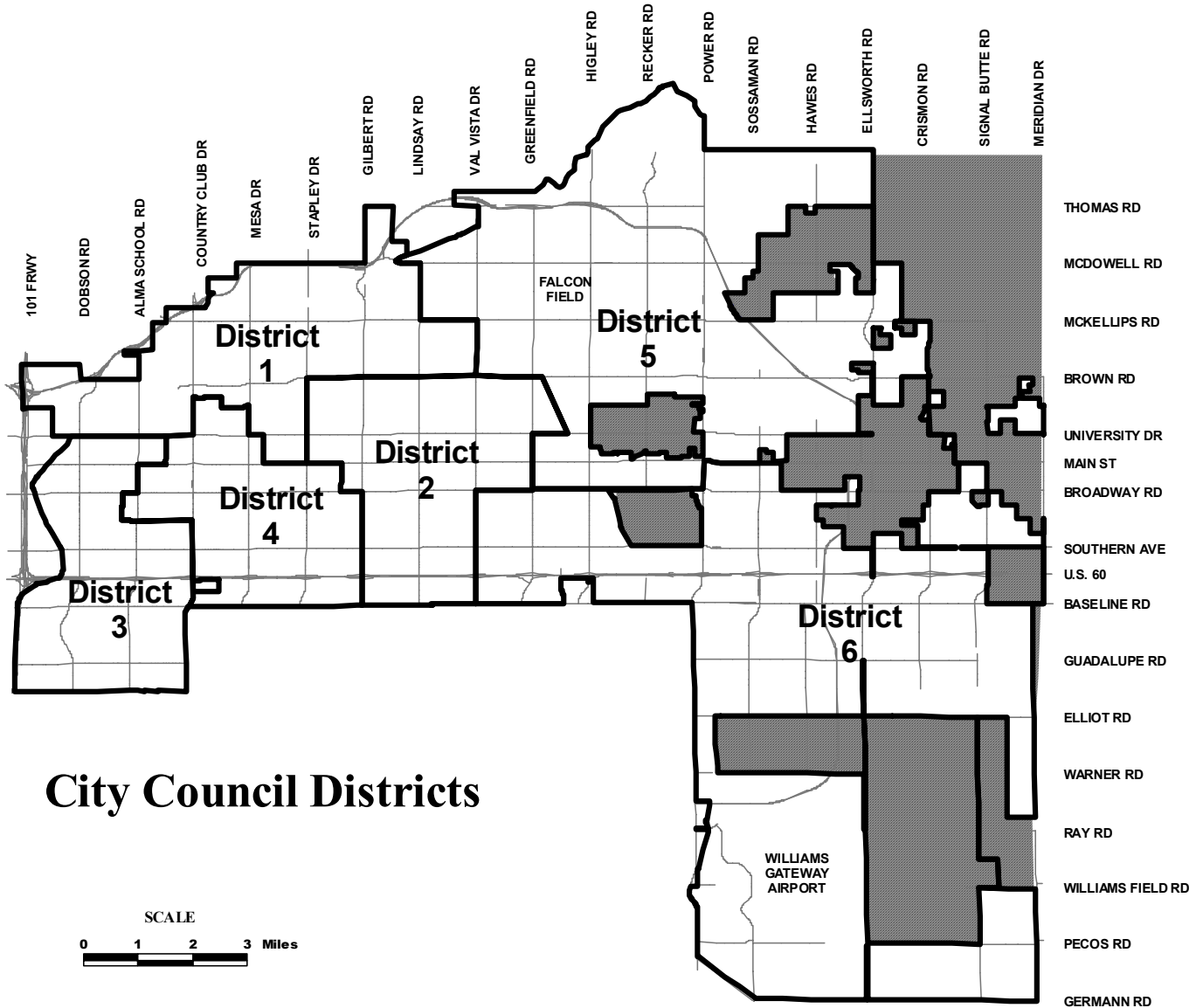
- › Public Relations and medical staffing

EDUCATION:

- › North Phoenix High School, 1959
- › Attended Northland Pioneer College and Chandler-Gilbert Community College

City of Mesa

Council Districts



City Council Districts